THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI) : (a) and (b) Savings Scheme suggested in the Budget Speech has been launched on 1-4-1987. It is called National Savings Scheme, 1987.

Simplification of procedure for Insurance Claims in respect of Milch Cattle

1000. SHRI RAOOF VALIULLAH : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the procedure for settling insurance claims in respect of milch cattle is tardy and cumbersome;

(b) what are the procedural requirements that the villager have to undergo before claims are settled by the banks;

(c) whether Government are considering to simplify the procedure in view of unprecedented drought and flood situation in the country resulting in the death of a large number of milch cattle; and

(what are the details of ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI) : (a) to (d) The procedural requirements for settlement of cattle claims, by the insurance companies, have been simplified to a large extent and are as under :—

(1) The insured has to intimate the claim either to the Bank or the DRDA or the Insurance Company.

(2) He has to furnish the identification ear-tag of the dead animal and also a death certificate from a qualified Veterinarian and in the case of IRDP financed cattle, a joint certificate from any two of the following :—

(i) Village Sarpanch.

(ii) President or officer of a Village Cooperative Society.

(iii) Official of a Milk Collection Centre.

(iv) Officer of a Village Level Bank other than the lending bank.

(v) DRDA or its authorised nominee.

Many requirements like furnishing of the Certificate of Post-mortem in the case of IRDP financed cattle, preserving of carcass upto at least 24 hrs. after intimation of death of the cattle, etc. have been dispensed with. When the identification ear-tag is lost, the claim is considered on the basis of other evidence like recorded natural identification marks.

Applications received for Ensuring Loan Mela in Tripura

1001. SHRI M. A. BABY :

SHRI SUKOMAL SEN .

Will the Minister of FINANCE be *pleased to state :*

(a) how many applications have been received by banks for the ensuing loan mela in Tripura;

(b) how these applications are going to be sorted out and selected for loan; and

(c) whether a committee or an individ- i is going to select applications for n and whether the State Government will have its representation on the Committee ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI) : (a) The present data reporting system does not provide separate information regarding number of applications received by banks for ensuing loan mela in Tripura, since no central monitoring of credit camps is being done.

(b) and (c) The banks have to follow the guidelines/procedures laid down from time to time by the Reserve Bank of India for appraisal, sanction and post sanction supervision of loans irrespective of the fact whether such loans are given in a credit camp or otherwise.

Alleged FERA Violation by Shri Ajitabh Bachchan

1002. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Government are holding an inquiry into the